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### Alternatives Evaluation Process *continued from page 1*

water in the McPhee Reservoir was also evaluated.

The representative impacts of acquiring lands and associated water rights were evaluated in the Mancos, La Plata, Animas, Florida, and Pine River valleys as part of the non-structural components that have been proposed as part of several of the alternatives. Potential regional M&I growth and water use areas were identified and a study made of potential non-binding tribal water uses.

The appraisal evaluation process was primarily

conducted during July and August 1999. An in-depth analysis of the potential environmental impacts associated with each alternative was undertaken. Each alternative was also evaluated against criteria of a technical and economic nature. The Draft SEIS, which will be released later this year, will include a detailed analysis of a preferred alternative and will also describe the analysis performed on the full range of alternatives.

### Timeline of Project

